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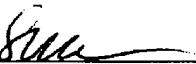
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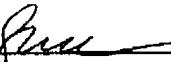
Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the final rejection mailed March 19, 2004. A petition for extension of time for two additional months is filed herewith, extending the response time to August 19, 2004. Please charge the fee for filing this Notice (fee code 1401) and the extension of time fee (fee code 1252) to our deposit account 50-3077. A substantive response to the outstanding rejections is not filed at this time.

It is not believed that extensions of time are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in accompanying documents. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and the undersigned respectfully requests that such fees be charged to our deposit account 50-3077.

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